

STATE PLAN UNDER TITLE XIX OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT

State/Territory: California

METHODOLOGIES FOR TREATMENT OF RESOURCES THAT  
DIFFERS FROM THOSE OF THE SSI PROGRAM  
(Less Restrictive Than SSI and AFDC As it Existed on July 16, 1996)

Under the optional coverage group 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(XIII) of the Act, all retirement arrangements of the disabled individual are exempt (i.e., resources in the form of employer or individual retirement arrangements authorized under the Internal Revenue Code).

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A resource disregard is given to an individual who has purchased a precertified long-term care insurance policy or health care service plan contract which covers long-term care and has used such policy or plan to pay for services.

Services which the individual receives and are paid for by the precertified long-term care insurance policy or health care service plan contract, which covers long-term care, must not be delivered by a member of the individual's family, unless:

- The family member is a regular employee of an organization which is providing the services; and
- The organization receives the payment for the services; and
- The family member receives no compensation other than the normal compensation for employees in his or her job category.

The amount of the disregard is equal to the lesser of the following amounts:

- the amount of payments made for services by the insurance policy; or
- the actual charge for the services.

Such disregard is in effect for the lifetime of the individual. The disregard is also allowed if a Medicaid application is filed on behalf of a deceased individual for payment of costs for care and services received by the individual during his or her lifetime.

The disregard of resources is allowed for aged, blind and disabled individuals who are otherwise eligible and:

- A. Medically Needy [1902(a)(10)(C)(i)(III)], or
- B. Optional Categorically Needy [1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)], except those who are included in Section 1902 (a)(10)(A)(ii) (VIII), 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(XI) and 1902 (a)(10)(A)(ii)(IV) who are receiving Supplemental Security Income Payments under Title XVI or a State Supplemental Payment, or
- C. Who are Qualified Medicare Beneficiaries [1905 (p)].

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All of the following shall be disregarded in determining eligibility in their entirety and shall not be applied against a single \$1500 limit:

- (1) All of the following burial related funds:
  - (a) The first \$1500 paid for clearly designated burial funds such as burial insurance policies with cash surrender values, revocable burial trusts, revocable burial contracts, or other revocable burial arrangements.
  - (b) Irrevocable burial trusts or irrevocable burial contracts, or other irrevocable burial arrangements.
  - (c) Burial insurance policies without cash surrender values.
- (2) Life insurance policies on the life of any individual in the family shall be exempt if the combined face value of all of the policies on the insured individual is \$1500 or less.
- (3) All dividends and interest that accrue to and are not removed from the burial fund or policy described in (1) or (2).

The disregard of life insurance policies and burial related funds is allowed for all applicants and recipients who are otherwise eligible under California's State Plan and who are also a member of one of the following coverage groups referenced in the Social Security Act at Section 1902(r)(2):

- (a)(10)(A)(i)(III)
- (a)(10)(A)(i)(IV)
- (a)(10)(A)(i)(VI)
- (a)(10)(A)(i)(VII)
- (a)(10)(A)(ii)
- (a)(10)(C)(i)(III)
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The treatment of resources under the Medi-Cal Tuberculosis (TB) program shall be determined as follows:

The TB resource limit for an unmarried individual is \$2,000.

If the TB beneficiary is an individual residing with a spouse, each individual would have a resource limit of \$2,000. Consider each individual's separate property and half of community property. THERE IS NO RESOURCE LIMIT FOR A COUPLE.

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Citation	Condition or Requirement
1902(a)(10)(A)(i)(III) and 1902(a)(10)(A)(i)(IV) of the Act	<p>e. For pregnant women covered under the provisions of section 1902(a)(10)(A)(i)(III) and 1902(a)(10)(A)(i)(IV) of the Act--</p> <p>(1) As permitted under Section 1902(r)(2), no resources will be deemed to a pregnant woman from the pregnant woman's parents</p>

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A resource disregard would be allowed equal to the amount of incurred medical bills that are unpaid in the month where there are excess resources for the entire month,

- only when payment of those medical bills occurs in a later month, and
- verification of payment is provided.

This disregard would be allowed no earlier than the month of application (may not be one of the three months prior to the month of application).

The requirements listed above would have to be met before eligibility is granted for the month throughout which the excess resources existed.

This disregard would apply only to individuals who have excess resources for the entire month but who are otherwise eligible in that month under California's State Plan and who are also a member of one of the following coverage groups referenced in the Social Security Act at Section 1902(r)(2):

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| • (a)(10)(A)(i)(III) | • (a)(10)(A)(ii)     |
| • (a)(10)(A)(i)(IV)  | • (a)(10)(C)(i)(III) |
| • (a)(10)(A)(i)(VI)  | • 1905(p)            |
| • (a)(10)(A)(i)(VII) |                      |

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Japanese Reparation payments made by the Canadian government shall be exempt from consideration in determining eligibility for Medi-Cal.

Japanese Reparation payments, whether made by the United States or Canadian governments shall be exempt if received by the spouse or inherited from the spouse who was the original recipient, or both.

Where Japanese Reparation payments, whether made by the United States or Canadian governments, are converted to another form, amounts of otherwise excess, nonexempt resources sufficient to ensure that the amount of the exemption equals the amount of the reparation payments received by the individual or inherited by the spouse of the individual, or both, shall not be considered as resources in determining eligibility for Medi-Cal.

These exemptions shall apply to the following coverage groups referenced in the Social Security Act at Section 1902(r)(2):

- (a)(10)(A)(i)(III)
- (a)(10)(A)(i)(IV)
- (a)(10)(A)(i)(VI)
- (a)(10)(A)(i)(VII)
- (a)(10)(A)(ii)
- (a)(10)(C)(i)(III)
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